REPORT

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DETROIT:

DAILY POST AND TRIBUNE BOOK AND JOB PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT.

1878.

DIRECTORS.

SAMUEL SLOAN, NEW YORK. | ISAAC BELL, NEW YORK.

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NATHANIEL THAYER, Boston.

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SAMUEL SLOAN.

GENERAL MANAGER,

H. B. LEDYARD

TREASURER,

BENJ. DUNNING.

SECRETARY,

R. G. ROLSTON.

ANNUAL REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW YORK, April 2, 1878.

The Board of Directors present the results of the seven months ending 31st of December last, in accordance with the resolutions adopted at the last annual meeting, that hereafter the fiscal year will correspond with the calendar year.

The earnings for the seven months to 31st December, 1877, were

From Freight " Passengers " Miscellaneous	1,203,375	24
TotalSame period 1876	. , ,	
Increase	\$81,316	06

The increase in freight earnings for same period have been \$228,952 of and a decrease in passenger earnings of \$144,684 24, owing to the large travel during the Centennial season.

The operating expenses during the same period have been	\$2,401,760	12
Taxes	189,255	27
Total	\$2 591 015	30

The operating expenses for the same period in 1876, excluding taxes, have been decreased \$233,781 12, including taxes, they have been decreased \$197,959 86.

The net earnings for same period of seven months to 31st of December have been \$1,312,498 51, an increase over same period of last year \$279,275 92.

There is a *decrease* in local freight tonnage of 20,009 tons, and of through freight tonnage of 98,807 tons; total, 118,816 tons, yet an increase of freight earnings of \$228,952 o6, at an average increase of 18-100ths of a cent per ton per mile over same period of 1876.

There has been three thousand tons of steel rails put in the track during the seven months, which has been charged to operating expenses. The main line is now entirely steel; the second track, including the Air Line, of 187 miles (with the exception of 8 miles) is also of steel, making in all 441 miles.

There is no floating debt.

During the seven months ending 31st of December, sixty-three thousand of the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw bonds have been purchased and cancelled by the proceeds of lands belonging to this Company, making a total cancellation during the past nineteen months of two hundred and three thousand dollars, leaving still on hand some \$298,292 of receivables and cash for lands sold and 481,357 acres of land to be sold. All of which, with the proceeds of lands when sold, constitute a sinking fund for the extinguishment of the bonds upon the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Road, diminishing the annual rent paid by this Company.

The whole property is in excellent condition—none better—its tracks in perfect order, its rolling stock and equipment is equal to any probable call upon it for many years to come.

The long pending suit of the bondholders of the Joliet and Northern Indiana Railroad Company has been settled by an acceptance of their seven per cent. bonds, principal and interest, guaranteed by this company for their eight per cent. bonds, due 10th July, 1874.

The tables appended show the state of the finances, sinking funds, bonded liabilities, and such other statistics as will enable stockholders best to appreciate the condition of the Company.

It gives the Board great pleasure to bear testimony to the good conduct of the employees of the Company of all classes during the terrible disturbances from strikes which swept over the country during the past year. With but very few exceptions the employees of the Company were its staunch friends, and remained at their posts discharging their duty. The trains and business of the Company were not interrupted for a single day.

The Board cannot close this report without expressing their high appreciation of the ability, care and untiring energy with which our General Manager has managed the property committed to his care, and at the same time call attention to his report with statistics transmitted herewith.

By ORDER OF THE BOARD,

SAMUEL SLOAN,

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.

Office General Manager, Detroit, Mich., March 20, 1878.

SAMUEL SLOAN, Esq.,

Pres't Mich. Cent. Railroad,

26 Exchange Place, New York.

DEAR SIR:—Herewith I submit statistics showing business of the Road for the seven months ending Dec. 31st, 1877.

Length of Road operated same as given in last report:

Main Line, Detroit to Kensington	270.00	\mathbf{M} iles
Kensington to Chicago, used jointly with the Illinois Central	14.00	"
Total Main Line	284.00	"
Branches, including Air Line	519.72	"
Total	803.72	Miles

Nearly three thousand (3000) Tons of Steel Rail have been laid during the period covered by this report, the entire cost of which is included in operating expenses.

The number of miles now laid with steel is

Main line, main track	270 1	miles
Main line, second track	72.56	"
Air Line	95.48	"
Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw	3.36	"
Total.	441.40 n	niles.

The Main Line is entirely steel, and there remain but 8 miles of iron in Air Line.

During the same period Side Tracks have been extended $1\frac{6}{100}$ miles, cost of same being included in Road Repairs.

Details of Track Repairs charged to operating.

Track ties renewed	113,051	
Track ballasted	12.84	miles
Fences built	23.85	"
Bridges filled	54 5	feet.

The Wooden Pile Bridge over the Paw Paw river, near Lawton, has been replaced with large Stone Arch Culverts. Cost of same being charged to Bridge Repairs.

There have been made the following charges to Construction Account:

Land in Chicago	\$10,020	00
Twenty new freight cars	9,637	25
Land and right of way J. L. & S	105	00

EQUIPMENT.

The number of Engines is the same as given in last report, being 219; of which 140 are Coal-burners, and 79 Wood-burners. Six Engines have been built at the company's shops to take the place of those condemned for service. The cost of same being included in locomotive repairs.

The Passenger equipment is the same as given in last report, and has been kept in good condition.

The Freight equipment shows an increase of 27 cars, of which 20 were charged to construction and the balance to repairs of cars.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

A new passenger house, of brick, has been erected jointly with the Illinois Central Railroad, at Kensington, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire, and a new elevator and station-house has been built at Jones, on the Air line, cost of same being included in building repairs.

OPERATION.

Earnings and expenses for the seven months ending December 31st, 1877, compare as follows with the same period in 1876:

EARNINGS.

	1876.		1877.		INCREASE.	DECREASE.
From Freight	\$2,287,734	15	\$2,516,686	21	\$228,952 06	
" Passengers	1,348,059	48	1,203,375	24		\$144,684 24
" Miscellaneous	186,404	21	183,452	45		2,951 76
Total	\$ 3,822,197	84	\$3,903,513	90	\$81,316 06	
	OF	ERA	TING EXPE	nses	3.	
Excluding Taxes	\$2,635,541	24	\$2,401,760	12		\$233,781 12
Taxes	153,434	01	189,255	27	35,821 26	
Total	\$2,788,975	25	\$2,591,015	39		\$197,959 86
Net Earnings	\$1,033,2 22	59	\$1,312,498	51	279,275 92	
	RATIO O	F E	XPENSES TO	EAI	RNINGS.	
Excluding Taxes	6×.95		61.52			7.43
Including "	72.96		66.37			6.59

FREIGHT STATISTICS.

	1876.	1877.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
No. of tons—Local	1,039,534	1,019,525		20,009
No. of tons—Through.	787,507	688,700		98,807
Total tons hauled	1,827,041	1,708,225		118,816
Tons moved 1 mile	279,502,371	252,373,503		27,128,868
Earn'gs p'r ton pr mile	.00 ₁₀₀ c.	.01,00	.00,18	.

PASSENGER STATISTICS.

	1876.	1877.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
No. passengers—Local	821,789	821,541		248
No. pasn'grs-Thr'gh,				÷
including emmigr'ts	134,217	85,176		49,041
Total No. Passengers	956,006	906,717		49,289
T'l Pas'grs mvd1 mile	65,326,501	51,354,147		13,972,354
Earn pr pas'er pr mile	$.02_{100}^{06}$	$.02_{100}^{34}$.00 28	······································

In comparing the Passenger Traffic of 1877 with 1876 it will be remembered that the last year, owing to the Centennial travel, our through passenger business was unusually large.

The increase in taxes is due to unpaid taxes of previous years.

All taxes due at the close of the fiscal year have been paid.

Further details of the operations of the different departments will be found in the accompanying tables.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. LEDYARD,

Gen'l Manager.

LOCOMOTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MILES RUN BY LOCOMOTIVES.

	1876.		1877.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Passenger	973,4	150	938,262		35,188
Freight	1,847,9)19	1,596,410		251,509
Switching	169,7	709	140,105		29,604
Miscellaneous	951,1	173	897,958		53,215
Total	3,942,5	251	3,572,735		369,516
EX	PENSE OF	M A	AINTENANCE.		
Locomotive repairs	\$188,745	04	\$171,491 94		\$17,253 10
Locomotive service	252,552	76	203,995 47		48,557 29
Fuel	321,895	17	264,119 78		57,775 39
Oil and waste	25,292	02	16,442 30		8,849 72
Total	\$788,484	99	\$ 656,049 49		\$ 132,435 50
	COST PE	R M	ILE RUN.		
Repairs	4.79	}	4.80	01	
Service	6.41	1	5.71		70
Fuel	8.16	3	7.39		77
Oil and waste	0.64	Ł	0.46		18
Total	20.00)	18.36	01	1.64
	MILI	es r	UN TO		
Ton coal	35.3	1	35.83	.49	
Cord wood	50.03	1	49.86		.15
Pint Oil	9.54	1	12.11	2.57	
Average train, passenger	4.88	3	5.24	.36	
Average train, freight	20.76	3	22.26	1.50	
PRIN	CIPAL IT	EMS	of RENEWA	5.	
Engines, heavy repairs	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • •			60
" Built new New Fire-boxes " Tires " Driving wheels " Axles					
" Truck and tender wheels " " Axles	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·····	96: 196

New Sets flues. " Pilots. " Tanks. " Tank frames. " Cabs. " Injectors. No. Sets Flues reset. " Tires turned. Engines — Coal-burners. Engines—Wood-burners Engines in shop for repairs.		
TRACK DEPARTMEN	ıT.	
	No. Miles. MAIN TRACK.	No. Miles. SIDE TRACK.
Main Line—Detroit to Kensington— Main Track	342.50 103.60 45.00 84.00 236.00 40.00 11.12 862.22	143.65 10.92 9.12 8.24 30.71 2.94 1.08
CAR DEPARTMENT PRINCIPAL ITEMS OF RENEWAL Coaches General Repairs " Light Repairs " Miscellaneous Way Cars Built New " Rebuilt " Repaired Merchandise Cars Rebuilt " General Repairs Stock Cars Rebuilt " General Repairs Platform Cars Built New " General Repairs Miscellaneous Cars General Repairs Miscellaneous Cars General Repairs " Light Repairs		

INVENTORY DECEMBER 31st.

KIND OF CAR.	1876.	1877,	Increase. Decrease
Inspection Cars	1	1	-
Paymaster's Car	1	1	
Dining Cars	2	2	
Passenger Cars—First Class	77	77	
" Second Class	27	27	
Combination Cars—Passenger and Baggage	8	8	
" Baggage and Mail	32	32	
Postal Cars	3	3	
Way Cars	117	126	9
Stock Cars—Single Deck	311	275	36
" " Double Deck	178	178	
Merchandise Cars	3020	3077	57
Platform Cars	1296	1293	3
Derrick Cars.	3	3	
Pile Driver Cars	1	1	
Total	5077	5104	27
Total passenger Cars	151	151	<u> </u>
Total Freight Cars	4926	4953	
Total Cars	5077	5104	

EARNINGS AND EXPENSES.

\$ 427,399 88 17,508 96 3,436 22 \$ 3,822,197 84	Freight Passengers Mail Express. Miscellaneous. Total EXPENSES Road Repairs. Bridge Repairs Fence Repairs. Building Repairs.	\$2,516,686 2 1,203,375 2 54,961 6 79,787 8 48,702 8 \$3,903,513 9 \$384,132 4 23,436 6 5,829 0
\$ 427,399 88 17,508 96 3,436 22 26 385 61	Passengers Mail Express. Miscellaneous. Total EXPENSES. Road Repairs. Bridge Repairs. Fence Repairs. Building Repairs.	1,203,375 2 54,961 6 79,787 8 48,702 8 \$3,903,513 9 \$384,132 4 23,436 6
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	Water Warks Donaire	13,082 7
12,304 88	Water Works Repairs	5,770
12,409 51	Dock Repairs	
188,745 04	Locomotive Repairs	171,491 9
189,889 64	Car Repairs	207,448
252,552 76	Locomotive Service	203,995 4
246,763 99	Train Service	225,279 2
325,440 58	Station Service	292,353 3
5,532 92	Water Service	5,573 (
100 000 70	General Expenses	99,900 8
108,230 70	Legal Expenses	9,436 1
9,643 15	Misseller some Ermannen	5,086
5,085 75	Miscellaneous Expenses	82,038
96,828 93	Foreign Agencies	38,655
42,646 86	Telegraphing	20,000 4
360,821 71	Fuel Consumed	280,832
18,032 59	Rental	17,654
38,213 13	Track Rental	37,960
53,318 61	Oil and Waste	39,346
16,538 74	Stationery	16,364
14,579 14	Printing and Advertising	11,117
19 215 40	Loss and Damage Freight	8,659
2 014 01	Loss and Damage, Miscellaneous	40,508 8
3,814 91	Stock Killed and Injured	1,957
3,363 41	Triumica to Damana	4,117
8,226 73	Injuries to Persons	82,443
	Car Mileage	
17,562 71	Commissions	34,484
9,186 40	Interest	13,625
\$2,635,541 24	Total	\$2,401,760
153,434 01	Taxes	189,255
\$2, 788,975 25	Total, Including Taxes	\$2,591,015
,	PER CENT. OF EXPENSES TO EARNINGS.	
72.96	Including taxes	66.
68.95	Excluding taxes	61.

FREIGHT STATISTICS.

		1876.	.66			1877.	7.	
	Tons Moved.	Tons Moved One Mile.	Rate Per Ton Per Mile. Cents.	EARNINGS.	Tons Moved.	Tons Moved One Mile.	Rate Per Ton Per Mile. Cents.	EARNINGS.
EASTWARD. Through	600,531	163,786,645 45,232,716	0.542	\$888,438 46	507,891 692,545	137,233,950 43,851,235	0.759	0.759 \$1,042,301 32 1.695 743,199 33
Total East	1,316,285	209,019,361	0.778	1,625,729 37	1,200,436	181,085,185	0.986	1,785,500 65
WESTWARD. Through Local.	186,976 323,780	50,865,750	0.398	202,575 20	180,809	50,489,620	0.594	299,920 71 431,264 85
Total West	510,756	70,483,010	0.939	662,004 78	507,789	71,288,318	1.026	731,185 56
TOTAL	1,827,041	279,502,371	0.819	2,287,734 15	1,708,225	252,373,503	0.997	\$2,516,686 21
Increase							0.178	228,952 06
Decrease					118,816	27,128,868		

PASSENGER STATISTICS.

		1876,	.6			1877.	77.	
	Passengers Moved.	Passengers Moved One Mile.	Rate Per Pass. Per Mile.	EARNINGS.	Passengers Moved	Passengers Moved One Mile.	Rate Per Pass. Per Mile.	EARNINGS.
			Cents.				Cents.	
EASTWARD. Through	56,991	16,185,444	1.76	\$ 285,094 01	37,531	10,658,804	2.08	\$221,423 57
Local	409,617	13,656,015	2.74	374,157 25	407,736	13,422,837	2.69	360,466 84
Total East	466,608	29,841,459	2.21	659,251 26	445,267	24,081,641	2.42	581,890 41
WESTWARD. Through	65,453	18,588,652	1.54	286,908 19	36,401	10,337,884	2.14	221,510 18
Local	412,172	13,552,858	2.74	371,168 68	413,805	13,741,326	2.68	368,008 16
Emigrant	11,773	3,343,532	0.92	30,731 35	11,244	3,193,296	1.00	31,966 49
Total West	489,398	35,485,042	1.94	688,808 22	461,450	27,272,506	2.28	621,484 83
TOTAL	956,006	65,326,501	2.06	1,348,059 48	906,717	51,354,147	2.34	\$1,203,375 24
Increase							0.28	
Decrease					49,289	13,972,354		\$144,684 24

EXHIBIT OF FUNDED DEBT, INTEREST, RENTS, $E_{\text{TC.}}$

DESCRIPTION.	FUN	DED DE	вт.	INT	EREST.
DESCRIFTION.	DATE OF ISSUE.	DATE OF MATURITY.	AMOUNT.	RATE.	Amount.
MAIN LINE.					
Mortgage Loan Bonds	Oct1, 1857	Oct1, 1882	556,000 00	8 %	44,480 00
First Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds	Oct1, 1857	Oct1, 1882	996,500 00	8 %	79,720 00
Second Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds	Oct1, 1857	Oct1, 1882	504,500 00	8 %	40,360 00
Equipment Mortgage Bonds	Oct21, 1874	Apl1, 1883	556,000 00	8 %	44,480 00
Air Line Mortgage Bonds	Jan1, 1870	Jan1, 1890	1,900,000 00	8 %	152,000 00
Consolidated Mortgage Bonds	May1, 1872	May1, 1902	8,000,000 00	7 %	560,000 00
Total			12,513,000 00		
LEASED LINES.					
Michigan Air Line Mortg. Bonds	Oct10, 1870	Nov1, 1890	200,000 00	8 %	16,000 00
Grand River Valley First Mortg. Bonds	Oct1, 1866	July1, 1886	1,000,000 00	8 %	80,000 00
Grand River Valley Sec'd Mortg. Bonds	Mch1, 1869	Sep1, 1879	500,000 00	8 %	40,000 00
Grand River Valley Rental					24,560 00
Kal. & South Haven First Mortg. Bonds	Nov1, 1869	Nov 1, 1889	640,000 00	8 %	51,200 00
Kal. & South Haven Sec'd Mortg. Bonds	Nov1, 1870	Nov 1, 1890	70,000 00	8 %	5,600 00
Ton & Con First Mosts Dondo	(May 26,1865		 		
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. First Mortg. Bonds	Apl1,1867	July1, 1885	1,277,000 00	8 %	102,160 00
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. Sec'd Mortg. Bonds*	Feb 1, 1868	Mch1, 1878	85,000 00	8 %	6,800 00
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. Nor'n Ext'n Bonds	May2, 1870	May1, 1890	681,000 00	8 %	54,480 00
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. Consol. Mortg. Bonds	Aug31, 1871	Sept1, 1891	2,001,000 00	8 %	160,080 00
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. Rental					70,000 00
Jackson, Lan. & Sag. Expenses					750 00
Joliet & Northern Indiana Rental					89,000 00
Total			6,454,000 00		
GUARANTEED BONDS.					
Detroit & Bay City First Mortgage	May1, 1872	May1, 1902	274,000 00	8 %	21,920 00
Detroit & Bay City First Mortgage	May1. 1873	May1, 1903	150,000 00	8 %	12,000 00
Total			424,000 00		
Grand Total			19,391,000 00		1,655,590 00

^{*} These Bonds were paid (Principal and Interest) at maturity, March 1st, 1878.

EXHIBIT OF FUNDED DEBT, INTEREST, RENTS, ETC.

INTEREST AND RENTS PAYABLE. Jan. 10th March 1st April 1st May 1st July 1st July 10th Sept. 1st Jan. 1st Oct. 1st Nov. 1st 22,240 00 22,240 00 39,860 00 39,860 00 20,180 00 20,180 00 22,240 00 22,240 00 76,000 00 280,000 00 280,000 00 8,000 00 8,000 00 40,000 00 12,280 00 25,600 00 25,600 00 2,800 00 2,800 00 51,080 00 51,080 00 27,240 00 80,040 00 80,040 00 35,000 00 35,000 00 375 00 44,500 00 44,500 00 10,960 00 . 10,960 00 6,000 00 6,000 00 179,360 00 | 44,500 00 | 138,815 00 | 104,520 00 | 360,600 00 | 179,360 00 | 44,500 00 | 138,815 00 | 104,520 00 | 360,600 00

BENJ. DUNNING, TREASURER.

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET.

\$34,960,109 92	\$34,960,109 92
Floating Debt—none	Cash
Income Account 3,030,905 92	Miscellaneous Accounts 42,616 90
Consolidated8,000,000 00	Bills Receivable 60,466 22
Air Line1,900,000 00	Material Account 256,656 28
have purchased and now hold166,500 00 Equipment	Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad . 97,840 19
Of these Bonds the Sinking Fund Trustees	Detroit and Bay City Railroad 255,351 78
have purchased and now hold511,500 00 Second Sinking Fund	Sleeping Car Company Stock 12,733 34
Of these Bonds the Sinking Fund Trustees	Equipment Bond Trustees 545,245 82
Mortgage Loan\$556,000 00 First Sinking Fund	:
Bond Accounts:—	
Capital Stock	Construction Account \$28,305,403 75

BENJ. DUNNING, TREASURER.

INCOME ACCOUNT.

1877.		1877.	
Dec. 31.	Dec. 31. Operating Expenses\$2,401,760 12		June 1. Balance from previous year\$2,553,403 16
	Taxes		EARNINGS.
	Interest—Main Line 384,520 00 Dec. 31.		Freight\$2,516,686 21
	Interest—Leased Lines 336,440 00		Passenger1,203,375 24
	Rental—Leased Lines992,155 00		Mail54,961 69
			Express79,787 89
	Joliet & Northern Indiana Railroad 36,128 00		Miscellaneous
	Balance 3,030,905 92		
	- Inches		
	\$6,471,164 31		\$6,471,164 31
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BENJ. DUNNING, TREASURER.

REPORT

OF THE

SINKING FUND TRUSTEES.

The Trustees appointed under the Trust Mortgage Deed of the Michigan Central Railroad Company to John M. Forbes, Nathaniel Thayer, and H. H. Hunnewell, Trustees, under date of September 29, 1857, report:

That the standing of the Sinking Funds intrusted to them, was on the 31st day of December, 1877, as follows:

To the credit of the First Sinking Fund, viz:

BONDS AT PAR.

outer and received indicate a company	-00,000 00	
Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Company	191,000 00	
Missouri River, Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Company	5,000 00	
Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company	140,000 00	
Carthage and Burlington Railroad Company	22,500 00	
Dixon, Peoria and Hannibal Railroad Company	13,000 00	
Ft. Wayne, Jackson and Saginaw Railroad Company	25,000 00	
Ionia and Lansing Railroad Company	17,000 00	
Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company	146,000 00	
Detroit, Hills. and So. Western Railroad Company (Scrip)	140 00	
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company	40,500 00	
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company	13,000 00	
United States	141,800 00	
STOCK AT PAR.		
Detroit, Hills. and So. Western Railroad Company	7,000 00	
Michigan Central Railroad Company	10,100 00	
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company	17,100 00	
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company (Scrip)	60 00	
$\it CASH.$		
Old Boston National Bank	1,143 96	
Total		\$1,406,843 96

And to the credit of the Second Sinking Fund, viz:

BONDS AT PAR.

Michigan Central Railroad Company	\$166,500	00		
Joliet and Northern Indiana Railroad Company	32,000	00		
Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Company	63,000	00		
Missouri River, Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Company	15,000	00		
Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company	56,000	00		
Carthage and Burlington Railroad Company	3,000	00		
Ionia and Lansing Railroad Company	4,000	00		
Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company	31,000	00		
Detroit, Hills. and So. Western Railroad Company (Scrip)	100	00		
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company	2,000	00		
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company	12,500	00		
United States	51,000	00		
STOCK AT PAR.				
Michigan Central Railroad Company	3,200	00		
Joliet and Northern Indiana Railroad Company	1,000	00		
Detroit, Hills. and South Western Railroad Company	5,000	00		
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company	2,600	00		
Detroit, Lansing and Northern Railroad Company (Scrip)	40	00		
CASH.				
Old Boston National Bank	345	29		
Total			\$448,2 85	29

The accounts for the seven months ending December 31st, 1877, are as follows:

Michigan Central Railroad First Sinking Fund.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES.

1877.			
June 1	Cash in Old Boston National Bank	\$1,088	92
July 3	Received 1 year's interest on \$140 Scrip Detroit, Hills-		
·	dale and South Western Railroad	11	20
α,	Received 6 months interest due July, 1874, on \$5,000		
	Missouri Riv., Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Bonds	250	00
"	Received ½ of 6 months interest due Jan., 1875, on \$5,000		
	Missouri Riv., Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Bonds	125	00
46	Received 6 months interest on \$13,000 Dixon, Peoria		
	and Hannibal Railroad Bonds	520	00
"	Received 6 months interest on \$40,500 Chicago, Bur-		
	lington and Quincy Railroad Bonds	1,417	50
"	Received 6 months interest on \$17,000 Ionia and Lan-		
	sing Railroad Bonds	680	00
"	Received 6 months interest on \$13,000 Detroit, Lansing		
	and Northern Railroad Bonds	455	00

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July 3	Received 6 months interest on \$131,000 Jackson, Lan-				
"	sing and Saginaw Railroad Bonds	5,240	00		
July 13	\$2,994 gold at 105\(\frac{1}{2}\)	3,151	19		
Aug. 1	Joliet and Northern Indiana Railroad Bonds Received from sale of \$21,500 U. S. Bonds of 1865,	25,200	00		
Aug	mostly called	22,901	25		
Sept. 5	Received \$10 on each of coupons (25) due Jan. 1, 1877, of \$25,000 Ft. Wayne, Jackson and Saginaw Rail-	050			
"	road Bonds	250	00		
	\$630 gold at 1033	653	62		
Oct. 2	Received 6 months interest on \$191,000 Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Bonds	6,685	00		
"	Received \$10 on each of 25 coupons due Jan. 1, 1877, of \$25,000 Ft. Wayne, Jackson and Saginaw Railroad	0,000	00		
Now 1	Bonds	250	00		
Nov. 1	Received \$10 on each of 25 coupons due Jan. 1, 1877, of \$25,000 Ft. Wayne, Jackson and Saginaw Railroad	050	00		
Dec. 3	Bonds	250	00		
	Burlington Railroad Bonds	900	00		
"	Received 3 months interest on \$63,500 U. S. Bonds \$714.39 gold at 10213	734	48		
				\$7 0,763	16
1877.					
July 14	Paid Cost of \$11,500 in U. S. 4½ per cent. Bonds	\$12,527	81		
" 24		25,526	87		
Aug. 1		22,837			
Oct. 12	" " \$7,500 " " "	7,818	75		
Dec. 31	" Commission 1 per cent. on purchases	687	11		
"	" Clerk hire \$87.50; advertising for proposals \$47.06	134	56		
"	" Express on Bonds between Boston and New York	86	60		
"	Cash in Old Boston National Bank	1,143		##0 #40	10
	-			\$70,763	16
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Michiga	an Central Railroad Second Sinking Fund.				

Michigan Central Railroad Second Sinking Fund.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES.

1877.		
June 1	Cash in Old Boston National Bank	348 06
Jnly 3	Received 1 year's interest on \$100 Scrip of Detroit,	
	Hillsdale and South Western Railroad	8 00
"	Received 6 months, due July, 1874, interest on \$15,000	
	Missouri Riv., Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Bonds	750 00
"	Received ½ of 6 mos., due Jan., 1875, interest on \$15,000	
	Missouri Riv., Ft. Scott and Gulf Railroad Bonds	375 00

July 3 Received 6 months interest on \$4,000 Ionia and Lansing				
Railroad Bonds	160	00		
Received 6 months interest on \$2,000 Detroit, Lansing	,			
and Northern Railroad Bonds	70	00		
"Received 6 months interest on \$12,500 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Bonds	437	50		
" Received 6 months interest on \$54,000 Jackson, Lan-	437	90		
sing and Saginaw Railroad Bonds	2,160	00		
" Received 6 months interest on \$37,000 U. S. Bonds,	2,100	00		
\$1,110 gold at 105½	1,168	27		
July 13 Received 3 years (to July 10, 1877,) interest on \$32,000	1,100			
Joliet and Northern Indiana Railroad Bonds	7,680	00		
Aug. 1 Received from sale of \$8,000 U.S. Bonds of 1865,	.,			
mostly called.	8,505	00		
Sept. 5 Received 3 months interest on \$19,500 U.S. Bonds,	,			
\$219.38 gold at 1033	227	60		
Oct. 2 Received 6 months interest on 63,000 Burlington and				
Missouri River Railroad Bonds	2,205	00		
Dec. 3 Received 6 months interest on \$3,000 Carthage and				
Burlington Railroad Bonds	120	00		
" Receive 3 months interest on \$22,000 U. S. Bonds,				
$$247.50 \text{ gold at } 102\frac{1}{1}\frac{3}{6}$	254	47		
-			\$24,4 68	90
1877.				
July 14 Paid Cost of \$5,000 in U. S. 4½ per cent. Bonds	\$ 5 446	87		
" 24 " " \$7,000 " " "	7,603			
Aug. 1 " " \$7,500 " " "	8,156			
Oct. 12 " " \$2,500 ' " "	2,606			
Dec. 31 "Commissions 1 per cent on purchases	238			
" Clerk hire \$29.17; Advertising for proposals \$16.59	45			
" Express on Bonds between Boston and New York	26	60		
" Cash in Old Boston National Bank	345	29		
			\$24,468	90
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Boston, December 31, 1877.